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May 5, 2008

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk / Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE:

Application of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. for adjustment of rates and charges and modifications to certain terms and conditions for the provision of water and sewer service: Docket No. 2007-286-WS

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and ten (10) copies of the surety bond approved by the Commission in its Order No. 2008-269 in the above-referenced docket. This bond is being submitted pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240(D) and the full amount of the rates approved to be placed into effect under bond will be billed to the utility's customers in the next billing.

I would appreciate your acknowledging receipt of this document by date-stamping the extra copy that is enclosed and returning it to me via our courier. By copy of this letter, I am serving counsel of record with a copy of the bond and enclose a certificate of service to that effect.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

WILLOUGHBY & HOEFER, P.A.

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BPM/cf Enclosure

cc:

Nanette S. Edwards, Esquire Jeffrey Nelson, Esquire

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

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KNOW ALL PEOPLE BY THESE PRESENTS, that Utilities Services of South Carolina. Inc. as principal and <u>Travelers Casualty and Insurance Company of America</u>, a corporation under the laws of the State of <u>Connecticut</u> duly authorized to transact business in the State of South Carolina as surety, are held and firmly bound unto the customers of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. affected by Order No. 2008-96 of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, dated February 11, 2008, and any Order denying rehearing or reconsideration thereof, issued in the above-captioned proceeding, for the sum of seven hundred seventy two thousand nine hundred sixty five and No/100s Dollars (\$772,965.00) in lawful money of the United States of America, for payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if the Commission Orders under appeal are ultimately determined to be valid and enforceable, then, Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. hereby promises to refund amounts it has collected in

excess of the amounts finally determined to be correct under the appropriate rate schedules.

Any such refunds shall include interest as provided by law.

SIGNED, sealed and dated this $\underline{1}^{st}$ day of \underline{May} , 2008.

Witness

Witness

As to Principal

Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc.

ATTEST:

As to Surety

<u>Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America</u> Surety

Teresa D. Kelly, Attorney-in-Fac

WITNESS AS TO PRINCIPAL

Lock County.

Before me, the subscribing Notary Public, personally appeared John made oath that he/she saw the within named Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. Company represented by sign, seal, and deliver the within Bond, and that he/she with Lerka Ceaguer and Liste Starsubscribed their names as witness thereto.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ____ day of Ma

WITNESS AS TO SURETY

STATE OF TEXAS

Harris County.

Before me, the subscribing Notary Public, personally appeared Teresa D. Kelly and made oath that he/she saw the within named Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America represented by sign, seal, and deliver the within Bond, and that he/she with Dan W. Burton and Candace D. Bosheers subscribed their names as witness thereto.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of May, 2008.



POWER OF ATTORNEY

Farmington Casualty Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company
Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc.
Seaboard Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company

St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company Travelers Casualty and Surety Company Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company

Attorney-In Fact No. 215217 Certificate No. 001685289 KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Seaboard Surety Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, that St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company and St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota, that Farmington Casualty Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut, that United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Maryland, that Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Iowa, and that Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters. Inc. is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint Teresa D. Kelly, Dan W. Burton, Benjamin D. Wilcox, and Angela M. Tindol of the City of ___ Houston ____, State of____ , their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this _ Farmington Casualty Company St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc. **Travelers Casualty and Surety Company Seaboard Surety Company** Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company **United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company** State of Connecticut City of Hartford ss. vice President 2007 day of , before me personally appeared George W. Thompson, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of Farmington Casualty Company. Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Seaboard Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

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In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal. My Commission expires the 30th day of June, 2011.

WARNING: THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY IS INVALID WITHOUT THE RED BORDER

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, Kori M. Johanson, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Farmington Casualty Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Company, St. Paul Guardian Insurance Company, St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney, executed by said Companies, which is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this

__ day of _______

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Kori M. Johanson Assistant Secretary





















To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, call 1-800-421-3880 or contact us at www.stpaultravelersbond.com. Please refer to the Attorney-In-Fact number, the above-named individuals and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.

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This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc.'s **Bond No.** 105073455 by placing same in the care and custody of the United States Postal Service with first class postage affixed thereto and addressed as follows:

Nanette S. Edwards, Esquire Jeffrey Nelson, Esquire **Office of Regulatory Staff** Post Office Box 11263 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

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Columbia, South Carolina This 5th day of May, 2008.